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Because of rapidly advancing technology, a lot of electronics become useless within a short period of time, which creates a large percentage of electrical products that no one wants, which is called “e-waste’. Getting rid of e-waste in landfills can cause a huge impact on humans and the environment. To avoid this, there was a law signed in 2004, and a funded program was established for the consumers to return electronic devices, then recycle them, and lastly ensure the safe and sound disposal of electronic devices.

“E-waste” is any electronic device that is unwanted, and is basically classified as universal waste. It almost always contains hazardous materials, such as mercury and lead. E-waste comes from industries, governments, businesses, and even houses.

Cell phones people do not want anymore are thought of as universal waste electronic devises in California. Retailers who sell cellular telephones are required to take them back from their customers.